# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

CHARLES JONES, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Wade Jones, Deceased,

Plaintiff,

Case No: 1:20-cv-36 Hon. Judge Paul L. Maloney Magistrate Judge Sally J. Berens

v.

COUNTY OF KENT et al.

Defendants.

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Sherwood, N.P.; Melissa Furnace, R.N.; Dan
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DEFENDANTS CORIZON HEALTH, INC.; TERI BYRNE, R.N.; JANICE STEIMEL, L.P.N.; JOANNE SHERWOOD, N.P.; MELISSA FURNACE, R.N.; DAN CARD, L.P.N.; CHAD RICHARD GOETTERMAN, R.N.; JAMES AUGUST MOLLO, L.P.N.; ANGELA NAVARRO, R.N.; AND LYNNE FIELSTRA, L.P.N.'S RULE 26 INITIAL DISCLOSURES

NOW COME Defendants CORIZON HEALTH, INC., TERI BYRNE, R.N., JANICE STEIMEL, L.P.N., JOANNE SHERWOOD, N.P., MELISSA FURNACE, R.N., DAN CARD, L.P.N., CHAD RICHARD GOETTERMAN, R.N., JAMES AUGUST MOLLO, L.P.N., ANGELA NAVARRO, R.N., and LYNNE FIELSTRA, L.P.N., by and through their counsel, CHAPMAN LAW GROUP, and for their Initial Disclosures state as follows:

# Rule 26 (a)(1)(A) disclosures:

(1) The name, and, if known, the address and telephone number of each individual likely to have discoverable information – along with the subjects of that information – that the disclosing party may use to support its claims or defenses, unless the use would be solely for impeachment.

# Defendant Teri Byrne, R.N.

Subjects of information: Information regarding her involvement in decedent's medical care and general information regarding the scope of Corizon employee responsibilities at Kent County Correctional Facility, and the provision of medical care, as it relates to Corizon employees, to inmates at the Kent County Correctional Facility.

Contact information: c/o Chapman Law Group

#### Defendant Janice Steimel, L.P.N.

Subjects of information: Information regarding her involvement in decedent's medical care and general information regarding the scope of Corizon employee responsibilities at Kent County Correctional Facility, and the provision of medical care, as it relates to Corizon employees, to inmates at the Kent County Correctional Facility.

Contact information: c/o Chapman Law Group

## Defendant Joanne Sherwood, N.P.

Subjects of information: Information regarding her involvement in decedent's medical care and general information regarding the scope of Corizon employee responsibilities at Kent County Correctional Facility, and the provision of medical care, as it relates to Corizon employees, to inmates at the Kent County Correctional Facility.

Contact information: c/o Chapman Law Group

# Defendant Melissa Furnace, R.N.

Subjects of information: Information regarding her involvement in decedent's medical care and general information regarding the scope of Corizon employee responsibilities at Kent County Correctional Facility, and the provision of medical care, as it relates to Corizon employees, to inmates at the Kent County Correctional Facility.

Contact information: c/o Chapman Law Group

## Defendant Dan Card, L.P.N.

Subjects of information: Information regarding his involvement in decedent's medical care and general information regarding the scope of Corizon employee responsibilities at Kent County Correctional Facility, and the provision of medical care, as it relates to Corizon employees, to inmates at the Kent County Correctional Facility.

Contact information: c/o Chapman Law Group

## Defendant Chad Richard Goetterman, R.N.

Subjects of information: Information regarding his involvement in decedent's medical care and general information regarding the scope of Corizon employee responsibilities at Kent County Correctional Facility, and the provision of medical care, as it relates to Corizon employees, to inmates at the Kent County Correctional Facility.

Contact information: c/o Chapman Law Group

# Defendant James August Mollo, L.P.N.

Subjects of information: Information regarding his involvement in decedent's medical care and general information regarding the scope of Corizon employee responsibilities at Kent County Correctional Facility, and the provision of medical care, as it relates to Corizon employees, to inmates at the Kent County Correctional Facility.

Contact information: c/o Chapman Law Group

## Defendant Angela Navarro, R.N.

Subjects of information: Information regarding her involvement in decedent's medical care and general information regarding the scope of Corizon employee responsibilities at Kent County Correctional Facility, and the provision of medical care, as it relates to Corizon employees, to inmates at the Kent County Correctional Facility.

Contact information: c/o Chapman Law Group

#### Defendant Lynne Fielstra, L.P.N.

Subjects of information: Information regarding her involvement in decedent's medical care and general information regarding the scope of Corizon employee responsibilities at Kent County Correctional Facility, and the provision of medical care, as it relates to Corizon employees, to inmates at the Kent County Correctional Facility.

Contact information: c/o Chapman Law Group

# Co-Defendant Kent County

Subjects of information: Information related to policies and procedures, as well as custody information related to decedent's incarceration.

Contact information: c/o its counsel

# Co-Defendant Kent County Sheriff Lawrence Stelma

Subjects of information: Information related to his involvement with decedent's medical care and general information regarding the provision of medical care, as well as his training, knowledge of and application of Kent County Correctional Facility policies and procedures.

Contact information: c/o his counsel

## Co-Defendant Chief Deputy David Kok

Subjects of information: Information related to his involvement with decedent's medical care and general information regarding the provision of medical care, as well as his training, knowledge of and application of Kent County Correctional Facility policies and procedures.

Contact information: c/o his counsel

#### Co-Defendant Captain Klint Thorne

Subjects of information: Information related to his involvement with decedent's medical care and general information regarding the provision of medical care, as well as his training, knowledge of and application of Kent County Correctional Facility policies and procedures.

Contact information: c/o his counsel

#### Co-Defendant Deputy Julie Cooper

Subjects of information: Information related to her involvement with decedent's medical care and general information regarding the provision of medical care, as well as his training, knowledge of and application of Kent County Correctional Facility policies and procedures.

Contact information: c/o her counsel

# Co-Defendant Deputy Donald Plugge

Subjects of information: Information related to his involvement with decedent's medical care and general information regarding the provision of medical care, as well as his training, knowledge of and application of Kent County Correctional Facility policies and procedures.

Contact information: c/o his counsel

## Co-Defendant Deputy William Jourden

Subjects of information: Information related to his involvement with decedent's medical care and general information regarding the provision of medical care, as well as his training, knowledge of and application of Kent County Correctional Facility policies and procedures.

Contact information: c/o his counsel

# Co-Defendant Deputy William Grimmett

Subjects of information: Information related to his involvement with decedent's medical care and general information regarding the provision of medical care, as well as his training, knowledge of and application of Kent County Correctional Facility policies and procedures.

Contact information: c/o his counsel

# Co-Defendant Sergeant McGinnis

Subjects of information: Information related to his involvement with decedent's medical care and general information regarding the provision of medical care, as well as his training, knowledge of and application of Kent County Correctional Facility policies and procedures.

Contact information: c/o his counsel

# Co-Defendant Sergeant Bryan Knott

Subjects of information: Information related to his involvement with decedent's medical care and general information regarding the provision of medical care, as well as his training, knowledge of and application of Kent County Correctional Facility policies and procedures.

Contact information: c/o his counsel

## Co-Defendant Deputy Tony Houston

Subjects of information: Information related to his involvement with decedent's medical care and general information regarding the provision of medical care, as well as his training, knowledge of and application of Kent County Correctional Facility policies and procedures.

Contact information: c/o his counsel

# Co-Defendant Deputy C. Bogner

Subjects of information: Information related to his involvement with decedent's medical care and general information regarding the provision of medical care, as well as his training, knowledge of and application of Kent County Correctional Facility policies and procedures.

Contact information: c/o his counsel

## Co-Defendant Bryan Clark

Subjects of information: Information related to his involvement with decedent's medical care and general information regarding the provision of medical care, as well as his training, knowledge of and application of Kent County Correctional Facility policies and procedures.

Contact information: c/o his counsel

## Co-Defendant Deputies John Does 1 – 5

Subjects of information: Information related to their involvement with decedent's medical care and general information regarding the provision of medical care, as well as their training, knowledge of and application of Kent County Correctional Facility policies and procedures.

Contact information: c/o their counsel

#### Plaintiff Charles Jones

Subjects of information: Information related to his claims against Defendants, his alleged damages, as well as any knowledge related to Decedent's medical care or alcohol intake.

Contact information: c/o his counsel

## Deven Bonham

Subjects of information: TBD

Contact information: Probation staff at the 59th District Court in Walker, Michigan

Any treating physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and nurses who participated in Plaintiff's medical treatment and care at Kent County Correctional Facility, as identified in Plaintiff's medical chart, which is in the possession, custody and control of the Kent County Correctional Facility and/or Corizon Health, Inc., and has previously been obtained by Plaintiff, including but not limited to:

Named Defendants (as stated above)
Sonya Sawer
Randina Bush
Teresa Massy, MA
Halie Falconbridge
Jennifer Fry – Medical Records Clerk
Teresa Avery
Ariel Nulty – Medical Unit Clerk
Ashley Adams
Ashley Barr
Karen Marger
Sharon Mosher

Subjects of information: Information regarding Plaintiff's decedent's medical care while incarcerated with the Kent County Correctional Facility

Contact information: TBD, depending on the individual.

Any treating physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses, and lab techs who participated in Plaintiff's medical examination and care at the Kent County Medical Examiner's Office and the Spectrum Health Blodgett Campus (laboratory), including but not limited to:

Stephen D. Cohle, M.D., Medical Examiner
Cindy Debiak, Medical Examiner Investigator
Lindsey Pltsch, Pathology Assistant.
Julieta G. Tablante-Blanco, M.D., Director and Spectrum Health Blodgett Campus

Subjects of information: Information regarding Plaintiff's decedent's medical care or examination at Kent County Medical Examiner's Office.

Contact information for Cohle, Debiak and Pltsch: 700 Fuller, N.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503

Contact information for Tablant-Blanco: 1840 Wealthy SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506

Any treating physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses, and lab techs who participated in Plaintiff's medical treatment and care at the Spectrum Health System:

Subjects of information: TBD Contact information: TBD

Any treating physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses, and EMTs who participated in Plaintiff's medical treatment and care with Life EMS of Grand Rapids.

Subjects of information: TBD

Contact information: 1275 Cedar St. NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Any treating physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses, and EMTs who participated in Plaintiff's medical treatment and care with Grand Rapids Fire Department.

Subjects of information: TBD Contact information: TBD

Any other individuals identified during the course of discovery, including but not limited to Kent County corrections staff, and additional Corizon personnel:

Subjects of information: TBD Contact information: TBD

(2) A copy – or a description by category and location – of all documents, electronically stored information, and tangible things that the disclosing party has in its possession, custody, or control and may use to support its claims or defenses, unless the use would be solely for impeachment.

Defendants will rely upon decedent's medical records from the Kent County Correctional Facility, including those records from Corizon Health, Inc. Upon information and belief, all parties already now have possession of these records.

Defendants may rely upon the following records; however, Defendants do not yet have these records in their possession:

- Decedent's medical records (before his incarceration) from other hospitals and facilities outside of the MDOC or Kent County Correctional Facility;
- Other documents and things identified and/or produced during the course of discovery by any party; and
- Any and all relevant policies or procedures, to be identified during the course of discovery.
- Criminal history records pertaining to decedent (in all jurisdictions), including prior alcohol-related offenses.

• Decedent's medical records from Life EMS of Grand Rapids, Spectrum Health System, and Grand Rapids Fire Department.

Defendants may rely upon the following records and have these records in their possession:

- Autopsy Report from of Office of the Medical Examiner of Kent County, dated, July 10, 2018 concerning decedent.
- Complete Documents/Records/Transcripts from decedent's arraignment, plea, and sentencing hearing on April 24, 2018, including probation records and breathalyzer/drug testing performed on April 24, 2018 (Defendants do have the hearing transcript in their possession, but this may not constitute the complete documents/records concerning the hearing).
- Documents pertaining to blood alcohol (BAC content) levels such as those presented by Plaintiff as Exhibit 4 to their Complaint (Defendants do have Plaintiff's Exhibit 4 in their possession).
- (3) A computation of each category of damages claimed by the disclosing party.

Not applicable to Defendants.

(4) For inspection and copying as under Rule 34, any insurance agreement under which an insurance business may be liable to satisfy all or indemnify or reimburse for payments made to satisfy the judgment.

See attached declarations page covering Corizon Health, Inc. (with premium information redacted).

Respectfully submitted, CHAPMAN LAW GROUP

Dated: May 15, 2020

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